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## NYC Date Night: Where To Take Your Date This Weekend

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Now that the weekend is within reach, [it is time to start figuring out what you will do](#) with your well deserved downtime. Whether you are going out with your long-time beau or braving a first date, here are some restaurant picks that are sure to keep you and your guest coming back for more. From an authentic Italian trattoria in Greenwich Village to a swanky modern Mexican eatery on the Upper East Side, you can't go wrong with these dining picks.



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### Ivy Restaurant and Grill



This newly opened Hell's Kitchen restaurant is the perfect place for after-work cocktails. Ivy is carefully designed to create an atmosphere of elegance and simultaneously familiarity; the exposed brick and leather chairs downplay the sprawling bar and VIP area, creating the perfect balance between cool and casual. The bistro-style menu is everything you'd expect- Pan Seared Sea Scallops, a fancied up version of grilled cheese, and Farmer's Chopped Salad are all pretty universally pleasing and expertly done. There are a bunch of drinks to choose from including

Acai Lemon Drop and The Cure of Ivy, the restaurant's signature cocktail.

[Ivy Restaurant and Grill](#), 944 8th Avenue